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EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM GEARED TO SUPPLY
TECHNICIANS TO NORTHEAST INDUSTRIES

REPORTS ON EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES IN EAST CHINA -- Shanghai Ta Kung Pao,
 21 Jul 50

The following is a summary of a report on educational activities in East China given recently by Shen T'i-lan (1) [numbers refer to appended characters], deputy chief, Department of Education, East China Military and Administrative Committee.

The activities of the Department of Education since its establishment on 11 March 1950 are:

1. East China Higher Educational Workers' Conference -- More than 70 representatives from 23 publicly and privately owned higher technical and specialists' schools of various governmental agencies attended the 4-day conference which convened on 2 May 1950. Opinions were exchanged and a future program decided on such pertinent subjects as school administration, curriculum revision, summer study program, political education, teachers' training, and placement of graduates.

2. Recruiting of students in Shanghai, Hangchow, and Nanking -- This program was initiated to avoid overlapping of work and wasting of funds. An agency to facilitate the program was established on 16 June 1950 and started a recruiting drive. The agency also recruits students for higher institutions in the Northeast. The 1950 plan calls for the recruiting of some 8,000 students. For East China, 14 institutions require 5,486 students, and for the Northeast, 2,940 students are needed.

3. Systematic placement of graduates -- In accordance with the Government Administrative Council directive of the Central People's government, the 1950 summer graduates in East China will be given jobs in East China, in the Northeast, and in various agencies of the Central People's government. The placement program calls for the sending of 2,252 graduates to the Northeast, including 70 percent scientific, technical, and agricultural school graduates; 525 to the

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Central government, including 67 percent scientific, technical, and agricultural students; and 3,555 graduates to remain in East China. The latter includes 20 percent scientific, technical, and agricultural students, many of whom will be assigned to land-reform activities. The placement of medical school graduates will be handled by public health agencies.

4. Summer study program -- The summer study program for all higher technical schools have been consolidated. The program gives an opportunity for third-grade students or higher, and students from schools belonging to various governmental agencies, to study during summer months. Some 1,506 students from such government agencies as the East China Public Security Bureau, Trading Department, Transportation Department, Shanghai Railway Bureau, Tax Bureau, People's Bank, and 16 other agencies will take advantage of the summer program.

5. Teachers' training and study program -- The program gives opportunity for middle-school teachers to specialize in teaching of specialized subjects, and higher school teachers to improve themselves by pursuing further studies at the Political Research Institute of the East China People's Revolution University. By means of the rotation system, one-ninth of the total primary and middle school teachers will be required to study during each quarter.

6. Cultural education program for workers and peasants -- The Central People's government has appropriated funds, and made possible the establishment of three short-term workers' and peasants' middle schools in Shantung, southern Kiangsu, and Shanghai. The Department of Education appropriated 2,800,000 chin of food-stuffs to construct 717 leisure-hour, supplementary-study schools for workers and peasants in hsien or higher administrative areas. Although East China now has 100,000 workers who attended night schools, and 2,700,000 peasants who attended winter-study classes, they are not sufficiently indoctrinated yet to participate in land-reform and municipal activities. The workers' and peasants' educational conference will be called in the future to solve such problems, and to prepare for participation in the national workers' and peasants' educational conference.

7. Aid to unemployed teachers, private schools, and students forced to discontinue due to financial reasons -- The Ministry of Education has adopted a plan to maintain and give monetary aid to privately owned schools; to give scholastic aid to students; to start technical training classes for unemployed teachers; and to set up an agency which will handle funds to aid unemployed workers.

ASSIGN GRADUATES TO DIFFERENT REGIONS -- Tientsin Jih-pao, 22 Jul 50

Peiping, 21 July (Hsin-hua) -- In response to demands from different major administrative regions of China for higher technical school graduates, the Government Administration Council has announced a method of placing 1950 summer graduates in accordance with the needs of each region, and has organized the 1950 Graduates' Placement Committee to handle the job. The placement activities started at the beginning of July and is expected to end in August 1950. The total of 17,539 summer graduates will be distributed as follows:

Northeast -- All of the 530 summer graduates in the region will remain in the Northeast to work on various jobs. Some 4,900 to 6,200 more will be assigned to the Northeast from East China, Central and South China, and Southwest China.

North China -- Of the 2,400 graduates in the region 1,200 to 1,400 will work in various Central government agencies. All others will be assigned to the Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region and the five provinces [sic] and the two municipalities directly controlled by the Central People's government.

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East China -- Of the 6,400 graduates, 2,600 to 3,300 will remain to work in the East China region. Some 500 to 800, including at least 300 scientific and technical school graduates, will be assigned to the Central People's government. About 2,500 to 3,000, including 1,500 to 1,900 scientific and technical students will be sent to the Northeast.

Central and South China -- Of the more than 3,900 graduates, 1,400 to 2,000, including at least 900 scientific and technical students, will be sent to the Northeast. All the others will remain in the region to work in different jobs.

Southwest China -- Of the 3,400 graduates, some 1,000 to 1,200 including at least 600 scientific and technical students, will be assigned to the Northeast. Others will work in the Southwest.

Northwest China -- All of the more than 680 graduates will be assigned different jobs in the area.

The 1950 Graduates' Placement Committee, established on 3 June 1950, has organized three teams to work in East China, for the Central government, the Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region, and the five provinces [sic] and two municipalities directly controlled by the Central People's government. Each major administrative region also will have its own placement committee which will be responsible for placement of the 1950 summer graduates. The Northeast People's government has dispatched personnel to East China, Central and South China, and Southwest China to facilitate the transfer of graduates to the Northeast.

The 17,539 summer graduates include 4,509 technical, 1,382 scientific, 1,414 agricultural, 1,072 medical, 3,352 cultural and educational, 4,348 law, 425 finance and economic students, and 507 others who majored in other special subjects.

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